(c) whether Government propose to telecast this film on the National hook-up in the near future; and

(d) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) to (d) A full-length colour documentary on the Asian Games entitled "Asiad '82" was completed by Films Division in August, 1983. The duration of this documentary is 160 minutes. Apart from this full-length film, Films Division has also produced five short films of about 20 minutes duration each under the title of "Asiad '82" (Part 1, Part 2, Part 3, Part 4 & Part 5).

The five short documentary films have already been released. Prints of these films have also been supplied to the Directorate of Field Publicity Units as well as State Governments.

Films Division functions on commercial lines. It has, therefore, initiated action for exploitation of the full-length film "Asiad '82", including its telecast abroad. Such a long film cannot be shown by Films Division in cinema houses under the Compulsory Exhibition Scheme. It has to be released as an independent full-length film commercially. Its telecast has to be considered in the context of its commercial release.

Hindi Plays and Foreign Films on Delhi Doordarshan

54. SHRI M. BASAVARAJU: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) what are the reasons for which Delhi Doordarshan has started telecasting Hindi plays on every 1st, 3rd and 5th Saturdays when Hindi plays are already being telecast every Tuesday;

(b) whether Government propose telecast foreign feature films on all the Saturdays for the benefit of multilingual viewers of Delhi; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) The time slot on Tuesdays (now on Mondays) is limited for one hour and does not permit telecast of plays of longer duration. On Saturdays, Hindi plays of longer duration are being telecast. The total number of plays has been increased to make programmes more interesting and entertaining.

(b) and (c) Foreign feature films, will be telecast on 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month.

Live Telecast of Los Angeles Olympics over Doordarshan

55. SHRI SURESH KALMADI:
SHRI S. W. DHABE:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made arrangements for direct telecasting of the Los Angeles Olympics over Doordarshan; and

(b) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) Subject to the availability of Satellite facilities, Doordarshan proposes to provide direct telecast of the Opening Ceremony on 29th July, 1984 of the Los Angeles